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Sir:

Please amend the claims as follows: Cancel Claims 71-99 and add new Claims 91-97 therefor.

A method of treating Crohn's disease in a human 91. comprising administering to the human an effective TNF-inhibiting amount of an anti-TNF chimeric antibody, wherein said anti-TNF chimeric antibody

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comprises a non-human variable region or a TNFbinding portion thereof and a human constant region.

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The method of Claim, 81 wherein the non-human variable region is of murine origin.

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The method of Claim 91 wherein said anti-TNF chimeric antibody competitively inhibits binding of TNF to a monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of A2 or cA2.

94. The method of Claim 91 wherein said anti-TNF chimeric antibody does not bind to one or more epitopes included in amino acids 11-13, 37-42, 4957 or 155-157 of SEQ ID NO.: 1 of hTNF.

- 95. A method of treating Crohn's disease in a human comprising administering to the human an effective TNF-inhibiting amount of an anti-TNF chimeric antibody, wherein said anti-TNF chimeric antibody competitively inhibits binding of TNF to a monoclonal antibody selected from the group consisting of A2 or cA2.
- 96. A method of treating Crohn's disease in a human comprising administering to the human an effective TNF-inhibiting amount of an anti-TNF chimeric antibody, wherein said anti-TNF chimeric antibody binds to amino acids between 87-108 or both 59-80 and 87-108 of SEQ ID NO::1 of hTNF.